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Police arrest top communist leader in Northern Luzon

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IMF lauds RP's economic gains, says external vulnerabilities declining

'President torn between being mom and professor'

By Gil C. Cabacungan Jr.

IN CONFRONTING THE ISSUE OF THE PURPORTED cheating in the June nursing licensure examination, President Macapagal-Arroyo is torn between being a mother and a professor.

This was disclosed yesterday by Executive Secretary Eduardo Ermita and Presidential Management Staff chief Arthur Yap, who sought to explain [illegible]

PRESIDENT / A4

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BALANCED NEWS, FEARLESS VIEWS
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Women dress to impress when fertile, study shows

WASHINGTON—WOMEN dress to impress when they are at their most fertile, US researchers on Tuesday said in a study indicating that signs of human ovulation may not be as mysterious as some scientists believed.



WOMEN / A13

Cheating in Manila, Baguio only–NBI

17 officials of 3 review centers implicated

By Gil C. Cabacungan Jr. and Julie Alipala Jaavellana

THE NATIONAL BUREAU OF Investigation yesterday announced that the leak of test questions for the controversial nursing licensure examination was limited only to testing centers in the cities of Manila and Baguio, covered only Tests III and V, and was perpetrated by 17 officials of three review centers.

The names of the concerned officials and review centers will be made public after the NBI submits its formal report to the Department of Justice, which will file charges of violation of Republic Act No. 8981, or the Professional Regulation Commission (PRC) Modernization Act, NBI Director Nestor Mantaring said at a news briefing.

The review center officials are facing imprisonment from six years and one day to 12 years.

No PRC official was found culpable [illegible]

CHEATING / A4



SIX DIED HERE; 29 WOUNDED: The scene in front of the town hall of Makilala in North Cotabato after a bomb believed by police to be made from a mortar shell exploded Tuesday night. Police suspect al-Qaida-linked militants are behind the bombings. Another bomb went off Wednesday in Cotabato City but caused no injury.

Fourth blast in 2 days rocks South

By Inquirer Mindanao

COTABATO CITY—AN EXPLOSIVE device went off yesterday at a shop in Cotabato City but caused no injuries a day after two blasts left at least six people dead and several dozen wounded, police said. A fourth bomb was dismantled.

Police blamed the incidents on the al-Qaida-linked Jemaah Islamiyah and guerrillas of the Moro Islamic Liberation Front (MILF).

All the six fatalities were the result of a bombing at Makilala town in North Cotabato on Tuesday. Authorities corrected an earlier report that the Makilala blast killed 12 people.

The violence came hours after the US, Australian and British embassies issued warnings against travel to Mindanao and said the threat of terrorist attacks or kidnappings was high, specifically in places frequented by foreigners.

FOURTH / A5

PRC chair displeases Palace; will she be axed?

By Christine O. Avendaño

LEONOR TRIPON-ROSERO, CHAIR OF the Professional Regulation Commission and personal dentist of President Macapagal-Arroyo, appears to be in a precarious situation as a result of her remarks at a Senate hearing on Tuesday.

[illegible]

PRC CHAIR / A4

AFP blames Abu Sayyaf, JI for bombings

By Alcuin Papa

ARMED FORCES CHIEF OF STAFF GEN. Hermogenes Esperon Jr. said yesterday the Jemaah Islamiyah and the Abu Sayyaf were responsible for the spate of bombings over the past 48 hours in central Mindanao.

[illegible]

AFP BLAMES / A5

This time, it's the rescue team crying Mayday!

By Nikko Dizon and Leila B. Salaverria

THIS TIME, IT'S THE RESCUE TEAM crying "Mayday!"

[illegible]

THIS TIME / A11

N. Korea warns sanctions mean call to war; Japan bans all imports

SEOUL—NORTH KOREA'S NO. 2 leader threatened more nuclear tests if the United States continued its "hostile attitude" against the communist regime, the Japanese news agency Kyodo said yesterday amid mounting tensions in Northeast Asia.

[illegible]

N. KOREA / A4



Ash from Mt. Bulusan blankets 10 villages in Sorsogon



ERUPTION UNLIKELY, says Phivolcs but that Mt. Bulusan activity still abnormal. Alert level remains 1.

By Bobby Labalan
Inquirer Southern Luzon

ASH FROM MT. BULUSAN BLANKETED at least 10 villages in two municipalities in Sorsogon late Tuesday afternoon but scientists said an eruption was unlikely.

[illegible]

ASH FROM / A11

Ex-UP president charged

Nemenzo, 10 others to face obstruction of justice raps for harboring Magdalo rebs

By Margaux C. Ortiz and DJ Yap

FORMER UNIVERSITY OF THE Philippines president Francisco Nemenzo Jr., lawyer Christopher Belmonte and nine others were yesterday charged with obstruction of justice for allegedly harboring fugitive rebel soldiers belonging to the Magdalo group charged with the July 2003 failed coup.



LIEUTENANT BUMIDANG takes his oath as witness against alleged coup plotters.

Joint probe

Let's get to work, JDV tells truants

By Philip C. Tubeza

Slipped out


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'Nationwide' probe

All rumors

No need to wait

He has the power

Japan's concern

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As she sees it

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Balancing all interests

Solomonic decision

N. Korea warns sanctions mean call to war; Japan bans all imports

Seoul to bolster arsenal

Troop capabilities

North unlikely to attack, says defector

Alarm over second test

UN debate

Fourth blast in 2 days rocks South



WEEPING WOMAN with child, Charlie Rosita, lost her husband Nelson at the Makilala blast. She has five children with one more on the way.

Part of wider plot

Text message

Fatalities

MILF signature

MILF denies involvement

AFP blames Abu Sayyaf . . .

Oplan Ultimatum

Heightened alert

MILF should surrender bombers

Labor chief hurdles CA; Teves stalled

By Juliet Labog-Javellana

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DSWD to go for graft-free relief work

By Cynthia D. Balana

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Ex-press secretary heads Philpost

By Christine O. Avendaño

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AT IT AGAIN

Lozano files impeach case vs Ombudsman

By Philip C. Tubeza

Pro, anti groups submit Cha-cha positions to SC

By Armand N. Nocum and Jerome Aning

Senate OKs biofuels act

By Juliet Labog-Javellana

Abalos: No massive cheating in '04

By Armand N. Nocum

TAMBUNTING PAW

A Century of Integrity, Service

Tambunting Pawnshop celebrates a hundred years of service and four ge



Through the years, Tambunting has proven to be a pillar for Filipino communities. It has earned the reputation of being the alternative micro-financer of individuals, families, small businesses and aspiring entrepreneurs.

The rich tradition of Tambunting Pawnshop began when businessman Don Ildefonso Tan Bun Ting actualized a dream of serving others. Towards the end of the 19th century, Don Ildefonso roamed the streets of Metro Manila collecting garbage for a living. His frugality allowed him to accumulate various investments and opportunities for other ventures.

Soon, his business dealings led him to enter the shipping industry that served him very well. When he decided to put aside the shipping business in the early 1900s, his wife Filomena Concepcion convinced him to start up a pawnshop. Together, they envisioned an enterprise that provided financial assistance via consumer loans.

From its humble beginnings in 1902 and eventually its incorporation in 1906, Tambunting Pawnshop burgeoned into a vital part of the community, providing available and immediate funds to those in need.

Antonio L. Tambunting, second to the youngest of the six Tambunting siblings, took the reigns of operations from his father

Life-changing stories of service, integrity and trust retold



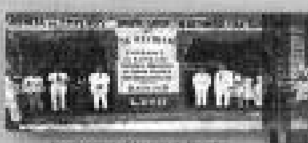




Tambunting Milestones 1906-2006









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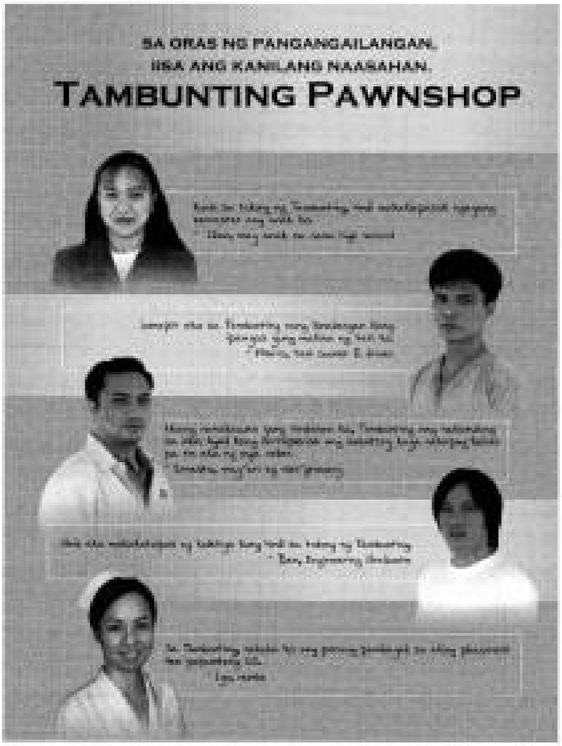
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Tambunting Pawnshop Commemorative Logo

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Philippine Daily Inquirer

OPINION

The Court did it

EDITORIAL

THEY ARE NOT ANNOUNCING IT YET, BUT THE great legal minds who inhabit the Office of the Ombudsman have solved one of the greatest legal mysteries of our times. [illegible]



Hunger as wanderer

VIEWPOINT

Juan L. Mercado

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Stop the killers

THERE'S THE RUB

Conrado de Quiros

[illegible]

Failure to pass anti-terror law bolsters initiative

POLITICAL TIDBITS

Belinda Olivares-Cunanan



What else am I when I'm not high?

YOUNG BLOOD

Sikat

HUMAN FACE

Ma. Ceres P. Doyo



A matter of logistics

THE LONG VIEW

Manuel L. Quezon III



NOTICE TO YOUNGBLOOD CONTRIBUTORS

THEY SAID

Scent of evil

Ramento: a towering figure in defense of human rights

LETTERS

Supreme Court mishandled Sigaw's petition

It's a shame not to protect kids

Maynilad's claim may be creating another mirage

PARP opposes Swiss challenge as mode for selling SSS shares

No leakage in Iloilo, justice for honest passers

Judicial hubris

This time, it's ...

Flashlight

Acacia tree uprooted

Ash from Mt. Bulusan blankets ...

Lowest alert level

Abnormal

Women dress to impress when fertile...

Who looks hot?

More fashionably

Provided by NewspaperDirect

Across the NATION

Death threats hound Aglipayan priests

By Christian Esguerra



REFLECTIONS

Top NPA leader in C. Luzon captured

CAMP OLIVAS, PAMPANGA—POLICE YESTERDAY arrested a top leader of the New People's Army operating in Central Luzon, Director General Oscar Calderon, Philippine National Police chief, told the Inquirer.

US to spend ₱3M for new war games in Zambales

Opposition to 'retake' in Visayas growing



ROUNDUP

3 sideswiped by jeep die

NPA leader slain in clash

SSS exec shot, wounded

Store faces charges

Kalibo electoral case

Judges' meeting in Clark

INQUIRER Southern Luzon

Surviving 4 decades of attacks on the Left

FOUR DECADES OF INVOLVEment with the Left and an assassination attempt on his life have not deterred this 63-year-old activist from pursuing his crusade.

'The killings are [now more] blatant—most take place in the day, in public places'



Assassination attempt

Reported dead

Human rights cases

263 tamaraws in the park, and still counting

THEY HAD TO BRAVE THE heat to scale the Mounts Iglit-Baco National Park and stay there just so they could record the number of tamaraws still roaming in the mountains of Mindoro Island.

Counting method

Incomparable experience

Accuracy



'Milenyo' shuts off oldest radio station in S. Tagalog

SINCE TYPHOON "MILENYO" battered Quezon province with winds of 130 kilometers per hour on Sept. 28, people of Lucena City have been missing the broadcasts of dzLT, the oldest radio station in Southern Tagalog.

Original piece

School radio

Live news coverage

News

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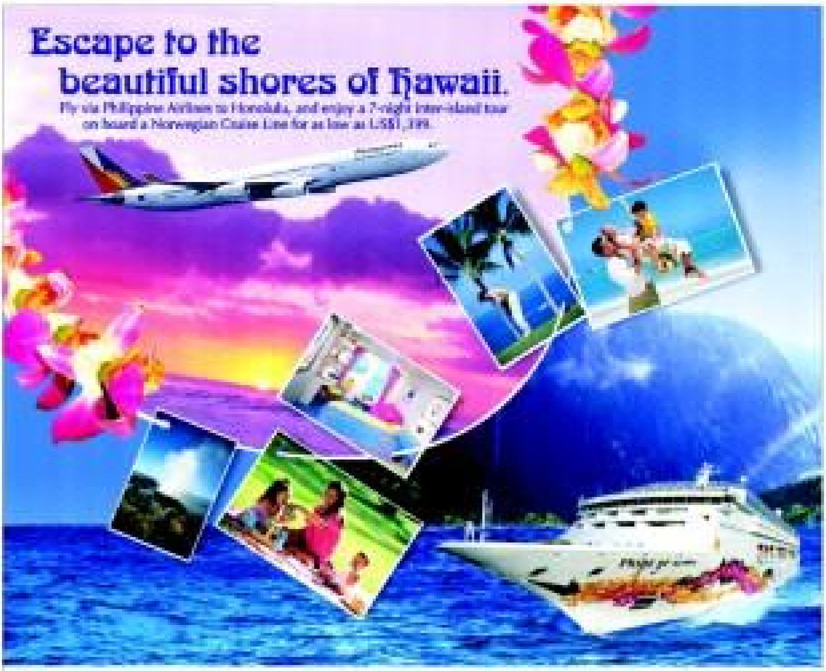
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Kings barely survive Express

By Musong R. Castillo

BARANGAY GINEBRA STREAKED TO ITS THIRD straight victory last night, but unlike in its two previous conquests, the Kings needed lady luck to smile on them for this one.

Late Sports









Majority of billboards have no permits

Gov't ads not exempted from dismantling by DPWH





Same gun theory draws flak from Binay



PAYING IT FORWARD

Marikina gears up for ferry system project

It's back to work for dads

MetroBriefs

Tighter security

Trash can woes

Free medical help

Park tree 'rescuers' await mayor's OK

Did you know

Her schoolmates must be bowing their heads in shame

On Target

Ramon Tulfo





SEEING DOUBLE



GREAT DIVIDE. An aerial view of a part of Israel's separation barrier is seen on the outskirts of Jerusalem, Tuesday Oct. 10. Israel says the barrier is necessary for its security while Palestinians say it is a land grab.

WorldBriefs

Mass grave yields 140 victims

60 oil workers abducted in Nigeria

Saddam thrown out during trial

Denmark warns of new Muslim uproar

Republicans scramble to contain damage

Iran vows to press on with nuclear program

Kiran Desai wins Man Booker Prize



DESAI

Speculations abound over Nobel Literature

The WORLD

Journalist groups doubt Putin's promise

MOSCOW—RUSSIAN PRESIDENT VLADIMIR Putin's promise to do "everything necessary" to track down those responsible for the murder of investigative journalist Anna Politkovskaya has been greeted with skepticism by journalist rights organizations.

[illegible] AFP





ENDANGERED: [illegible]

Thailand to remain under martial rule

[illegible]

Over 600,000 civilians killed in Iraq war—study

[illegible] AFP



SPORTS

From Lina to Jinggoy

Erap's son takes over as BAP president



Joey assails Peping intervention in SBP

Joey assails Peping intervention in SBP



2 new teams join PBL's Silver Cup

Pido named Coach of the Year

BAP congress

IN HUDDLE



Blind Kenyan leads way

Grounded Archers try to keep their arrows sharp

Wilcon, Hotshots hurdle BPAL rivals

Dagupan hosts Milo Marathon leg Sunday





ANTONIO

Inter-province chess: Antonio, Torre teams favored

RP 9-Ball Open billiards begins

NBN: 7 hours of Asiad airtime



Ferrer gains quarterfinals

CJH Asian Ladies golf set Oct. 17-19

Mizuno Scramble 4th leg slated at Orchard

Alvendia bucks car problems in Touring



SPORTSWATCH

Alam Mo Na 'Yan run Saturday

Labanan goes to Pasig Oct. 15

Las Piñas cockfest today

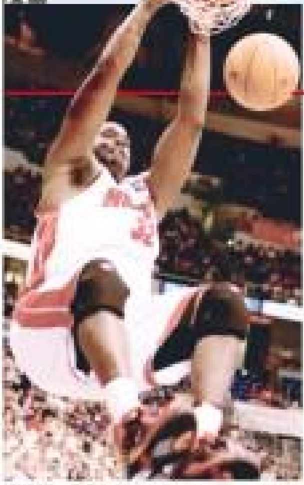
150 fights slated at San Juan Coliseum

LGBA series 3rd leg at Araneta

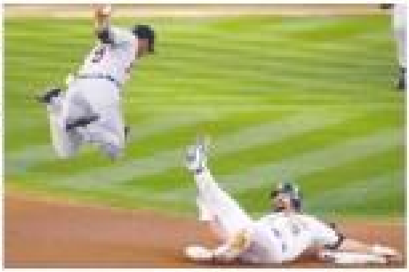


Bautista heads Hold'em nat'l qualifiers

SPORTS



Fiery Tigers continue romp, crush Athletics



NY Yankees keep Torre, A-Rod



TORRE

Pistons rip Heat in Puerto Rico

NY Yankees keep Torre, A-Rod

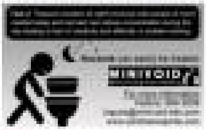
For Woods, Vardon Trophy boils down to a phone call



WOODS



Paeng joins Asiad sans partner



BUSINESS



IMF lauds economic gains in RP

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Says external vulnerabilities declining

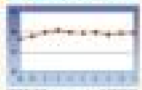
THE PHILIPPINES' EXTERNAL VULNERABILITIES remain high but are coming down, as opposed to the policy drift that caused ballooning public debts and foreign financing burden from 2002 to 2004, the International Monetary Fund said.

Cebu Pacific flies to Kuala Lumpur



Gov't debt at ₱3.92T in end-July

CURRENCIES





Shares close flat



Stink or swim

BREAKTIME



Conrado R. Banal III

IMF lauds . . .

Gov't debt . . .

Cebu . . .

Government now keen on adopting tax reforms

Proposals considered to help boost capital market

Analyst says Banco de Oro a blue chip in the making

SMC to revive $500-M bond offer in 2007

By Elizabeth L. Sanchez

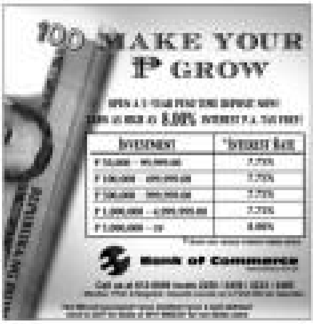
PLDT Q3 profit up due to strong peso

Alliance Tuna to conduct maiden offer

Business expert urges regional trade deals

ABS-CBN unit all set to go global in '08



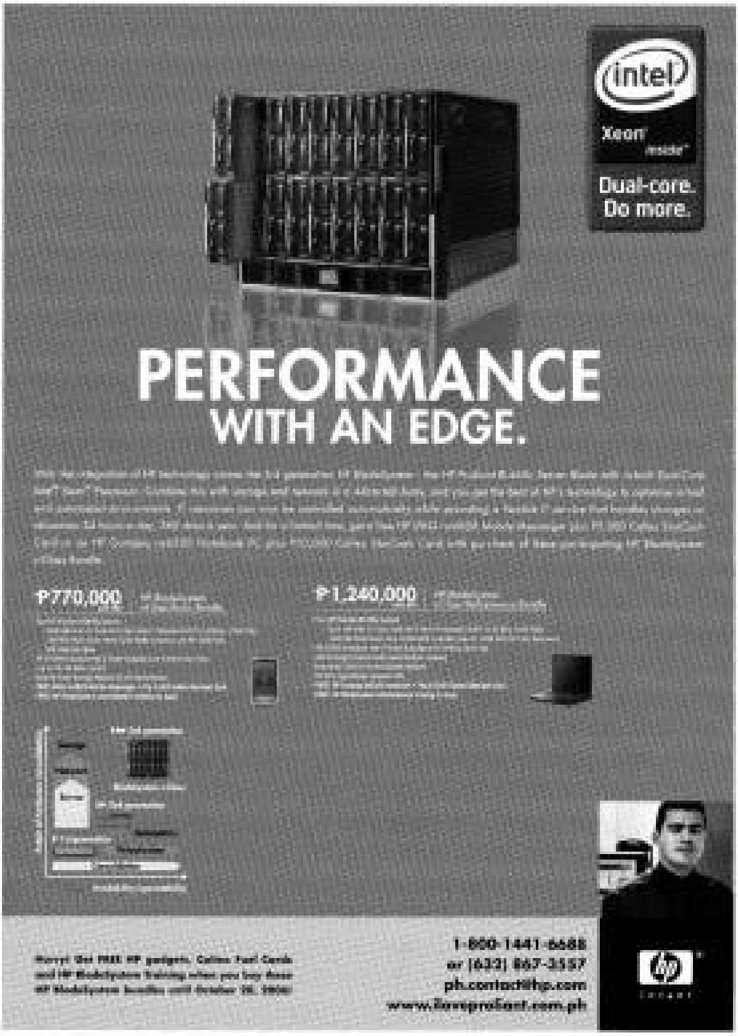


Supreme Court of the Philippines
Judicial and Bar Council
Manila

BUSINESS

Funds for competitiveness council pledged

Major business groups join hands to push action agenda



Move up value chain, call centers urged

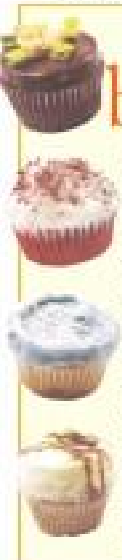
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LIFESTYLE

Editor: Chito Barad-Ferrer

WEDNESDAY 3BU · THURSDAY FOOD · FRIDAY FASHION & BEAUTY

Batter banter





SWEET DREAMS ARE MADE of these:

Hail holes

Cakes by the cup





Daily bread recipes

Tomato Tinapa Cheese Toast

Bananarama

Crispy Crab Buns

Serves one.



Simply the best from top Pinoy chefs



CHEFS with cookbooks [illegible]

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60 years of baking

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"Sorbetes" at its finest

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KITCHEN RESCUE



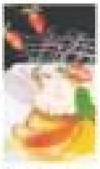
Maggie Aspiras

Cita Mina

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Davao discoveries

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LEMON Meringue Tart from the book "Simply the Best"

You may have to look a gift horse in the mouth

By [illegible]

THE CONSUMER

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Better informed

[illegible]

Rice-ing Pinoy cooking





COUNTRY COOKING

Micky Fenix

MY SISTER WHO WORKS as a Maryknoll missionary in Panama told me that the usual food combination in that Central American country was rice and beans.















'Shabu-shabu' 101



It is not just a matter of choosing the ingredients, but also when to drop them into the soup and how long they should stay there



Printed instructions

Complete meal



Here's the basic how-to:

ENTERTAINMENT



Will 'Kumander' Nene follow the commands of her heart?

DOLLY WOOD

Dolly Anne Carvajal





NENE Tamayo and Bob de la Cruz



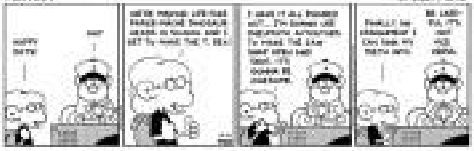
Regine celebrates 20 years in show biz



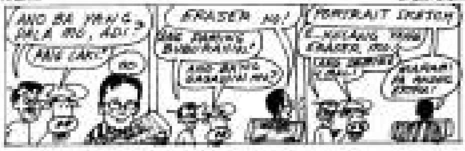
REGINE Velasquez with Robin Padilla



ComicRelief



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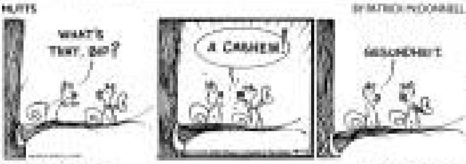
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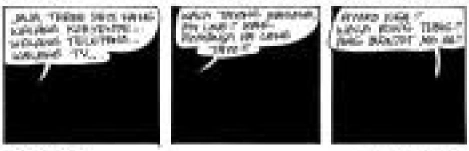


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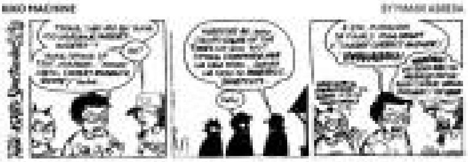
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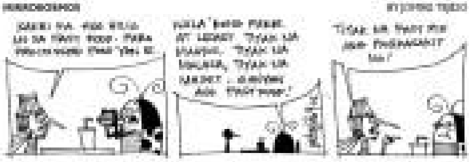




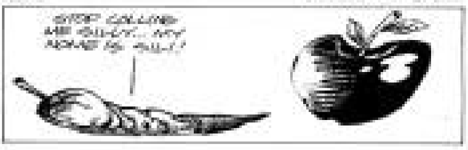






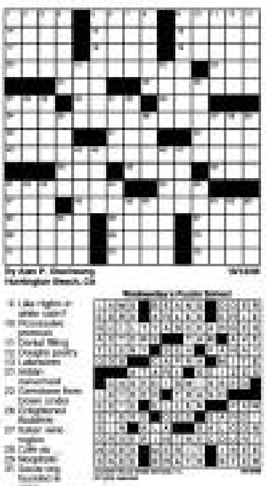


TULDOK





DAILY CROSSWORD



HOROSCOPE

CONCEPTIS SU DOKU

Conceptis Sudoku by Dave Green

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	1				8			
9	6	2						
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			8				6	
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4	5		9					8

Difficulty Level ★★★

HOW TO PLAY SU DOKU

Answer to previous puzzle

Will 'Kumander' . . .

'RS' 20

Peace advocate

Bazaar for a cause



FROM left: EJ Caparas, Sunshine Dizon, Donna Villa, Maricelle Morales, Peach Caparas and Carlo Caparas

GALLERIA

1 STEP UP	6 MY FIRST WEDDING
2 TIL' I MET YOU	7 TALLADEGA NIGHTS
3 THE DEPARTED	8 PULSE
4 THE TEXAS CHAINSAW MASSACRE	9 DEAD OR ALIVE
5 THE GUARDIAN	10 TWILIGHT DANCERS

ERMITA

1 TIL' I MET YOU	
2 THE GUARDIAN	5 MY FIRST WEDDING
3 THE TEXAS CHAINSAW MASSACRE	6 DEAD OR ALIVE
4 THE DEPARTED	7 PULSE

METRO EAST

1 TIL' I MET YOU	5 MY FIRST WEDDING
2 THE GUARDIAN	6 FIRST DAY HIGH
3 THE TEXAS CHAINSAW MASSACRE	7 PULSE
4 THE DEPARTED	8 STEP UP

NOVALICHES

1 TIL' I MET YOU
2 THE GUARDIAN
3 THE DEPARTED
4 TEXAS CHAINSAW MASSACRE
5 PULSE

CITISQUARE MALABON

1 TIL' I MET YOU
2 FIRST DAY HIGH
3 RESERVE
4 RESERVE

PIONEER

1 TIL' I MET YOU
2 THE GUARDIAN
3 TEXAS CHAINSAW MASSACRE
4 THE DEPARTED



STA. ROSA

1 TIL' I MET YOU
2 THE GUARDIAN
3 STEP UP
4 DEAD OR ALIVE

LIPA

1 TIL' I MET YOU
2 TWILIGHT DANCERS
3 THE WICKER MAN
4 POSSESSED BY EVIL

DASMARIÑAS

1 TIL' I MET YOU
2 THE GUARDIAN
3 THE DEPARTED
4 STEP UP

ANGELES

1 TIL' I MET YOU
2 THE GUARDIAN
3 THE BREED
4 POSSESSED BY EVIL

IMUS

1 TIL' I MET YOU
2 THE GUARDIAN
3 THE DEPARTED
4 POSSESSED BY EVIL

STARMILLS

1 THE GUARDIAN
2 TIL' I MET YOU
3 THE DEPARTED
4 THE BREED
5 DEAD OR ALIVE
6 FIRST DAY HIGH

BACOLOD

1 TIL' I MET YOU
2 TWILIGHT DANCERS
3 SCOOP
4 CRANK
5 JOHN TUCKER MUST DIE
6 SNAKES ON A PLANE

ILOILO

1 TIL' I MET YOU
2 FLY BOYS
3 JOHN TUCKER MUST DIE
4 THE BREED



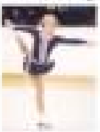




ROUNDUP

3-D movie

Ice champ



Sea drama

Martial arts

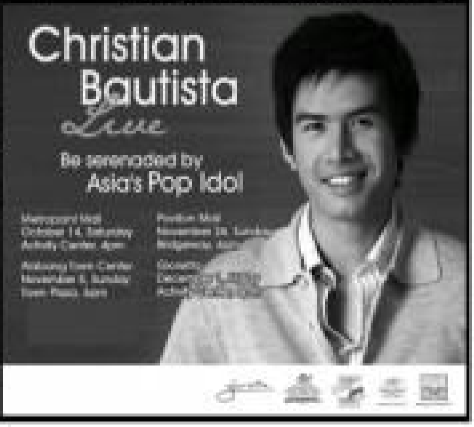
Two bits from Orange and Lemons

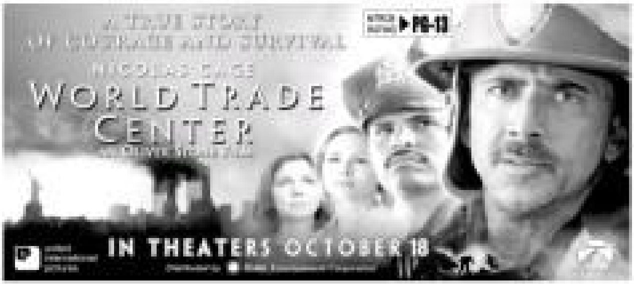
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